

Minutes
CITY OF DIAMOND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
May 8, 2023 Open Session

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Amy Thomlinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Alderman Michael Badley opened the meeting with prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Amy Thomlinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: City Clerk Shelley Loyd did roll call. Present were: Mayor Amy Thomlinson, Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson, Board President Brandon Poindexter, Alderman Dayton Wicker and Alderman Michael Badley. A quorum was present.

ALSO REPRESENTING THE CITY: Water Supervisor Ron Callis, Court Clerk Jessica Frazier, Chief Mike Jones, Officer Dalton Couch, Waste Water Supervisor Nick Frazier, and Zach Dunaway with the Parks Department.

APPROVING THE AGENDA:

Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to approve the agenda. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

APPROVING THE MINUTES:

Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson made the motion to approve the Minutes from the April 10, 2023 Open and Closed Sessions. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

CERTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENTS:

Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson made the motion to retain the following members of the City Staff in their current positions; Judge Steven M White as the City Judge, Charles Genisio as the City's Prosecutor and Attorney, Mike Jones, Chief of Police, Shelley Loyd, City Clerk, Chandler Breshears, City Collector, Jessica Frazier, Court Clerk, Ron Callis, Water Supervisor, Nick Frazier, Project Manager/Waste Water Supervisor, Brandon Cheek, Streets and Animal Control and Zach Dunaway Parks. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

NEW BUSINESS:

The Mayor informed the Board that the City would need to choose a Consultant for the upcoming TAP Project. Alderman Dayton Wicker made the motion to have Anderson Engineering be the Consultant for the TAP Project. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

The next item the Mayor discussed was the issue of dogs in the City Shelter. Currently the City is trying to rehome 2 Shepherd mix dogs with no luck. 4 States 4 Paws has quit accepting dogs to rehome and that is who the City always used in the past. The City will keep trying to find an organization to help with the rehoming of these dogs and any future dogs.

The next item before the Board was a review of the next phase of the streets in the City to be repaved and repaired. Project Manager Nick Frazier gave the listing of the streets to be in the next phase. Mr. Frazier asked for options other than what the list contained. Alderman Michael Badley made the motion for the City to bid out the next phase of street paving and repairs as presented. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

The Mayor then informed the Board that the Budget meeting for the fiscal year 2023-2024 and the annual review of Employee wages was tentatively scheduled for June 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to confirm the June 26th date for the meeting. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

The Project Manager/Waste Water Supervisor Nick Frazier gave a review of an MPR Insurance appraisal of the structures that the City owns. The results were compiled by a third party appraiser. He stated that the findings could be discussed and reviewed again if the Board disagreed with the information compiled. Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to approve the appraisal sheet compiled by MPR. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

Chief of Police Mike Jones requested that the City try to obtain a grant to help pay for a new Storm Siren located at the lagoon west of the City on V Hwy. The current siren was installed in 2008 and doesn't always sound off when tests are run. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson made the motion for the City to pursue a grant for the Storm siren. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

Board President Brandon Poindexter gave a review of the current building project at the School as Superintendent Dr. Keith White was unable to attend the meeting. The school had changed the plan for the parking lot and drive in the front of the Elementary school. Dr. White was requesting that the City approve the change in the plan. Water Supervisor Ron Callis informed the Board that there are 2 water meters in the area. Alderman Dayton Wicker made the motion to accept the changes in the plan as presented. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Abstain |
| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

The Mayor stated that it is to be understood that the City will make repairs to the water meters at the school as required and patch as needed.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS:

- Chief of Police-Submitted written reports. The Chief informed the Board that Reserve Officer Dry had resigned his position. The Chief hired another Reserve Officer to replace Mr. Dry. He also told the Board that the City of Granby and Diamond are working on a mutual aid agreement for both Cities to be implemented in the future.
- Court Clerk- Submitted written reports.
- City Clerk -Submitted written reports.
- City Collector- No report.
- Water Superintendent-Submitted written reports.
- Waste Water Superintendent-Submitted written reports.
- Street Superintendent – Submitted written reports.

MAYOR/BOARD REPORTS:

The Mayor informed the Board of a dedication ceremony for the Veteran's Park. It will be held on June 10, 2023 at 10:00 am.

Alderman Dayton Wicker told the Board he had been approached by citizen(s) concerned about the storm runoff in various parts of the City.

REPORTS OF CITY COMMITTEES:

- Planning & Zoning Committee- Project Manager/Waste Water Superintendent gave an update on the progress of a home located at Jefferson and Market Streets. The homeowner was given 6 months to show improvement and he has started work on the home and is making good progress.
- Park Board Committee – The Board was informed that the representatives from the Harry S Truman Coordination Council keep leaving and therefore the grants the City would have applied for we didn't receive.

The Parks Board would like to see something on the wish list for the Parks to be started by the City even though the City was unable to obtain Grant funding. Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to have the Parks Board start getting bids towards the construction of a walking trail at Dieckhoff Park. Treasure Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
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CLOSED SESSION:

- Alderman Michael Badley made the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:00 PM. Board President Brandon Poindexter seconded the motion.

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| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
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PAYABLES:

After reviewing the bills, listed and unlisted Alderman Michael Badley made the Motion to approve paying the bills listed and unlisted. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • | Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • | Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker Patterson | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

ADJOURN:

- All business having been presented and addressed, Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to adjourn at 7:10 P.M. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| • | Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson | Yes |
| • | Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes |
| • | Nays | None |

Minute's approved _____, 2023

Amy Thomlinson, Mayor

Shelley Loyd, City Clerk